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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed April 18, 2008 and in support of the concurrently-filed Request for Continued Examination. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks, including arguments, begin on page 11 of this paper.